Tuesday April 7, 2009

SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order: 7:06

II. Roll Call
   a. Missing/Tardy: 19
   b. Quorum Met

III. Announcements
   a. Public Safety Forum for next week has been canceled
   b. Voting has started! Go to Smith.edu/vote
   c. Smith soccer team is fundraising via a dodge ball tournament on Saturday, April 18th

IV. Minutes
   a. March 24, 2009 passed
      i. 23 For, 0 against, 8 abstentions
   b. March 31, 2009 passed
      i. 21 for, 0 against, 10 abstentions

V. Guest Speaker:
   a. Carrie Brown from Alumnae Office
      i. Goal is to keep people connected
      ii. Around 2,000 alumnae come back every year
      iii. Rotate on a 5 year schedule
      iv. Produce the Alumnae magazine
         1. Class notes keep alumnae linked
      v. Going to let the online alumnae community be accessible to students next Fall
         1. Can now search for alums by name, state, or profession
         2. Help students looking for internships, jobs, and friends
      vi. 115 alumnae groups throughout country and world
      vii. Affinity groups developed for alumnae of different organizations
      viii. Appreciate our alumnae who volunteer with admissions, and other events
         1. Smith graduates great leaders and volunteers
      ix. Want young women to be on the board of directors at the admissions office
         1. Interns sit on the board, help develop programs and activities
         2. Need consultants for classes and clubs
         3. Clubs use students to help with online communities and networking
      x. Have an education program for alumnae
      xi. Have a travel program for alumnae
         1. Takes alums all over the world with faculty members
         2. Africa, Mexico, Thailand, Tahiti, Middle East, United Kingdom are covered
      xii. Alumnae play a deciding factor for many prospective students
         1. Alumnae volunteer to do admission work, recruiting and interviewing prospective Smithies
         2. Great way for alumnae who are young to help the college

VI. Chartering
   a. Smith Spirit
      i. 30 for, 0 against, 8 abstentions
      ii. Charter passes
   b. Shapely Notes
      i. 6 for, 18 against, 13 abstentions
      ii. Charter fails

VII. Adjournment 8:08